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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2003 (Paper 13), having a shortened statutory period for response which expires on September 4, 2003. Although it is believed that an extension of time is not required at this time, the Office is hereby requested and authorized to charge any appropriate extension-of-time fees that may be required to maintain this application pending against deposit account number 11-0600 to Kenyon and Kenyon.

Prior to examination of the instant application, please enter the following amendments.